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TRAINING AND EXERCISE STANDING GROUP (TESG) MEETING
DECEMBER 20-21, 1977

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THERE FOLLOWS THE SIGNIFICANT ITEMS DISCUSSED AND AGREEMENT
REACHED DURING THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING BOARD FOR OCEAN
SHIPPING (PBOS) TESS HELD AT HQ NATO, 20-21 DECEMBER, 1977:

1. IT WAS GENERALLY AGREED BY THE TESS THAT TRAINING OF THE
ACTIMED/MESG WOULD NOT, REPEAT NOT, BE FEASIBLE IN 1978.
THIS CONCLUSION WAS REACHED BASED ON THE KNOWN ORGANIZA-
TIONAL PROBLEMS OF ACTIMED AND THE FAILURE, AT THIS TIME,
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TO REACH ACCORD IN THE SENIOR CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING
COMMITTEE (SCEPC) ON THE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THIS NATO
CIVIL WARTIME AGENCY (NCWA). FURTHER, IT IS NOT EXPECTED
THAT THE SCENARIO OF WINTEX/CIMEX-79 WILL REQUIRE ACTIVA-
TION OF THIS NCWA DURING THAT EXERCISE. ACCORDINGLY,
EARLIEST TRAINING THAT MAY BE ACCOMPLISHED FOR THIS NCWA
WILL BE IN THE AUTUMN, 1979.

2. THE TESH AGREED THAT REGIONAL SHIPPING BOARD (EAST) (RSB (E)) TRAINING WILL BE HELD AT HQ NATO DURING THE PERIOD 12-14 DECEMBER 1978. INVITATIONS TO MEMBER NATIONS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED BY IS IN JANUARY 1978 WITH 1 JULY 1978 AS DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS. NO, REPEAT NO, EUROPEAN RESIDENTS OF RSB(W) WILL BE INVITED. WHILE THERE WILL BE NO OIL PLAY DURING THIS TRAINING SESSION AND THE JOINT ORGANIZATIONAL STAFF (JOS) (E) WILL NOT PARTICIPATE, INVITATIONS SHOULD BE EXTENDED TO THOSE RSB(E) MEMBERS ENGAGED IN THE TANKER BUSINESS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE JOS(E) TRAINING IN SEPTEMBER AT HAMBURG. THE MAJOR THRUST OF THIS TRAINING WILL BE ON THE REINFORCEMENT OF NATO EUROPE. THE TESH GENERALLY AGREED THAT THE US INTERVENTION FOR RSB (W) TRAINING CONCURRENT WITH WINTEX/CIMEX-79 WAS VALID AND ALSO AGREED TO FURTHER DISCUSS THIS SUBJECT DURING THE APRIL 1978 MEETING OF THE PBOS.

3. THE TESH WAS BRIEFED BY THE IS (HERZOG) ON THE STATUS OF WINTEX/CIMEX-79 PLANNING AND THE RESULTS OF THE CENTRAL PLANNING TEAM (CPT) MEETING 7-9 DECEMBER 1978. FYI: THERE REMAIN SEVERAL AREAS OF MISUNDERSTANDING WITH RESPECT TO WINTEX/CIMEX-79 THAT MUST BE RESOLVED BY THE IS AND SHAPE EXERCISE PLANNING STAFF BEFORE SUBSTANTIVE INPUTS CAN BE DEVELOPED BY THE PLANNING BOARDS AND COMMITTEES (PB&CS). AT PRESENT THE SOLE DOCUMENT THAT EXISTS FOR THE DEVELOP-
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MENT OF CIVIL EVENTS IS AN UNAPPROVED DRAFT OPERATIONS ORDER PRODUCED DURING THE CPT 7-9 DECEMBER 1977. END FYI.

4. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE TESH WILL BE HELD MARCH 7-8, 1978 IN COPENHAGEN. GLITMAN

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